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## Record enrollment hits campus again

### Freshman numbers decrease

by Laura Pierson  
Managing Editor

Northwest has established a record high enrollment for the second year in a row.

Rollie Stadlman, interim director of enrollment management, reported 5,879 students are enrolled for fall semester classes. This is an increase of 224 students over last fall.

Northwest is the only Missouri public four-year institution to show growth in an area of declining population during the last decade, according to University President Dean Hubbard in his Fall Faculty Convocation.

The service region of the University, including Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas, has experienced a decline in population during the last decade. Many families have moved to other states due to economic reasons, lessening the pool of applications for admissions to Northwest.

"This year we had a decrease

in freshman applications, which can be attributed to the decline in population," Stadlman said.

Northwest had 1,461 freshmen last year compared to 1,361 this year. Despite the smaller freshman class, however, Northwest superceded its enrollment numbers over last year.

"We are not sure why, but we think it is due to a lower attrition rate," Stadlman explained. He added that the number of transfer students is up from last year.

He stressed Northwest is gaining a reputation as a quality institution and holds down tuition costs so the middle class can afford an education.

"For the quality of education you get versus the cost, in addition to the quality and quantity of services available, Northwest is a good bargain," Stadlman said.

Interviews with freshmen indicate that quality of education has replaced proximity as the number one reason for attending Northwest, according to Stadlman.



**TOGETHERNESS**—Above, Lauri Ury and Becky DeYoung share a few laughs during Jim Wand's hypnotist act. The two are among the 1,361 freshmen enrolled at Northwest this year. Below, students gather in the Tundra during Playfair. There are 100 fewer freshmen for the fall than there were this time last year. However, Northwest superceded its enrollment numbers over last year. (Photos by Brandon Russell and Todd Weddle)

## Possibilities for space center promising

by Tracy Lykins  
Staff Writer

Three students per 10,000 in Nodaway County become engineers, according to Dr. Robert Bush, vice president for applied research at Northwest.

This is low compared to area schools such as Rolla, a school in Phelps County, where the average number of students in engineering is 376 per 10,000. Currently Northwest has a two-year program in engineering and then the student transfers to another school such as Rolla. Northwest administrators are hoping to change that.

Across the country, the Challenger Center is installing space simulators that contain a space station and Mission Control. Bush and Dr. Dean Hubbard, president of Northwest, are working on getting a center at Northwest.

According to Bush, no university in the United States has been involved with this yet.

"We hope to get students

- ✓ Three students per 1,000 in Nodaway County become engineers.
- ✓ Northwest has a two-year engineering program with students transferring to other schools to finish their degrees.
- ✓ Northwest president Dr. Dean Hubbard hopes to change these statistics through the installation of a space shuttle simulator on the Northwest campus.
- ✓ The school hopes to pay for the project with private funding sources and state capital improvement sources.

turned onto science and engineering young where the enthusiasm will carry on," Bush said. "Students want hands-on work. This will help them gain appreciation for science and the principals for exploring. We have to be literate in the sciences and understand issues of the environment."

Dr. Jim Smeltzer, professor of chemistry and physics, attended an educational presentation by the Challenger Center.

Smeltzer said, "The center is a tribute to those people who died in the Challenger accident.

Christa McAuliffe, who was involved in the accident, was to be the first teacher in space. Her mother spoke to our group along with other victims' family members and they are responding by setting up this memorial."

The centers are aimed mainly at elementary, middle and high school students, but each center can have a different curriculum. The impact can be just as exciting for college students, Bush said.

"This program could bring a lot of attention to the campus education program. This is a great

experience for them to gain appreciation for science. Those receiving a teaching degree can take it to their classroom when they graduate," he added.

Connection centers are also an option. This allows centers to trade curriculums, since many different interpretations are used. Two shuttles in orbit will allow a teacher's image to be beamed to different centers to give live instruction. A small palm-sized input pad will allow students to send answers to questions directly to the computer. Tests will also be handled in this way.

The school hopes to pay for the project with private funding sources and state capital improvement sources. They already have a two-year National Science Foundation grant and they have received a Title 2 grant. After the funds are appropriated it will take eight to twelve months to build the center, which is to be located in the old Taylor Commons building on campus.

## Northwest students begin Southwind program, Earth's future is priority

by Tonya Reser  
Staff Writer

A Southwind program is in the making at Northwest and organizers hope to have a membership drive within the week.

Southwind is an environmental and educational organization that is cropping up in cities and universities all over the world. The main objective of the organization is to unify all people concerned about the future of earth and man behind two key issues. Organizers hope that these issues will make the world a better place to live during the years to come.

"We have had a lot of interest shown in the program but are waiting until students get settled into the new year before we actually start meeting and conduct a membership drive," said freshman Chris Hulme, acting president of the Northwest chapter.

"Now is the time to get involved," he added. "Students should be there right from the beginning to help organize it."

This is a great activity because students can be a name on a list or can get totally involved, it is up to them. This project does not have to be a real time-taker," he added.

Some of the other objectives of the program include motivating students to learn by actually performing the task that the environment needs instead of always learning by the memorization method. This program is trying to add more alternatives to the educational process throughout the world, according to the Southwind Newsletter.

The program is not only for the students, Southwind wants the

community, campus staff and faculty and local high school students to get involved. They would like to instruct teachers about new styles of teaching to get them to shy away from the traditional methods.

The goals of the environmental group include protecting the natural ecosystems from further destruction, protecting endangered species and cleaning up hazardous waste dumps.

The local chapter will plan many community service projects. They will be given ideas for projects or activities from the International Headquarters in Manhattan, Kan., housed at Kansas State University.

"The chapter rules and ideas will consistently be changing with the changing world and environment," said Hulme.

One of the international projects throughout the past year has been to boycott Hardee's and McDonald's because of their continuous use of styrofoam; according to the Southwind Monthly newsletter. There is no membership fee to join this organization, but there is a \$5 printing fee to receive the newsletter.

This lobbyist group hopes to encourage dignity, pride, and survival to many college students across the world, but would like to encourage all ages to join, according to Hulme.

He said, "My main goals are to get Southwind off the ground and then sit back and let the other students get involved and put some input into the decision making. I do not want to be the only one knowing what is going on so that after I graduate, there will be others to carry on Southwind. We plan on being around for a long time."

## Stricter enforcement causes changes



**TAKEN DOWN**—Three houses have been demolished due to stricter enforcement of the Maryville housing codes. (Photo by Tim Todd)

With stricter enforcement of the Maryville housing codes, three houses have gone under demolition.

"As of two weeks ago, 17 homes have been tagged for violations of safety and health codes," Bill Galletly, city manager, said. "Of those 17, three have been taken down."

Three of the houses demolished were located at 722 N. Walnut, 536 W. Fourth St. and 418 S. Main.

Costs for razing the three houses were more than \$5,600.

A home located at 401 S. Buchanan was scheduled for demolition but was put on hold when a building permit for repairs on the property was obtained.

Galletly said better quality housing and upgrading the community are just two of the goals he wants obtained for Maryville.

"Maryville has always had the ordinances, but it has only been recently that they were being strictly enforced," he said.



## OUR VIEW

### Group credited for improved housing

Living conditions for students and residents in Maryville have been improved in part by the Quality of Life committee.

This group, which formed in February 1990, is made up of a coalition of students, residents, landlords and renters to ensure safe, attractive living conditions for renters and homeowners.

Under the supervision of Dr. Patt VanDyke, director of the Talent Development Center, the group has been instrumental in upgrading the appearance of Maryville by solving problems no one else addressed.

According to Van Dyke, the group will help with civic and community planning, zoning, landscaping and setting up baskets for waste.

They also want to restore a friendly neighborhood atmosphere to the community. One way they are reaching this goal is by helping the elderly and handicapped comply with city ordinances such as keeping lawns and weeds trimmed and disposing accumulated trash.

These laws can be obstacles to disadvantaged residents unable to perform the work to meet city standards. Quality of Life has placed their name and number on ordinance citations so these people have a place to call for help. Quality of Life will send members to perform the needed tasks free of charge.

They have completed two work projects for the elderly.

The group was also instrumental in getting the city of Maryville to donate a trash truck for community use.

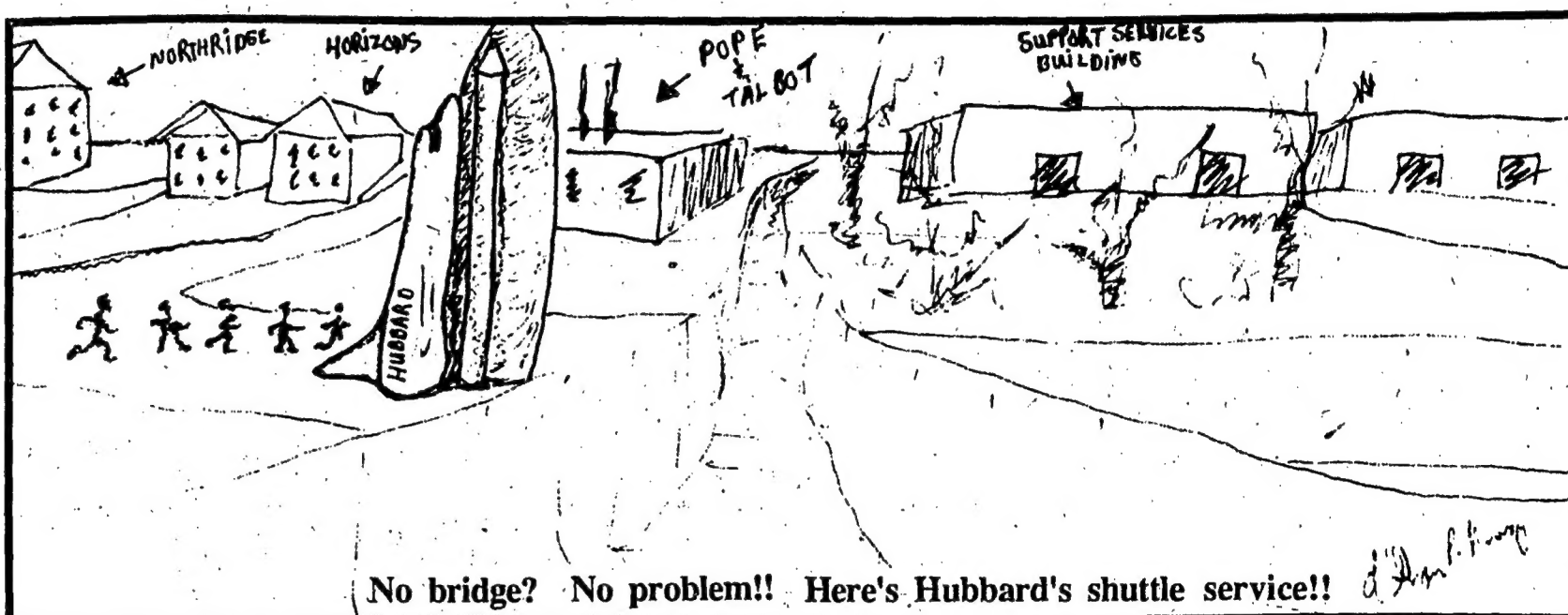
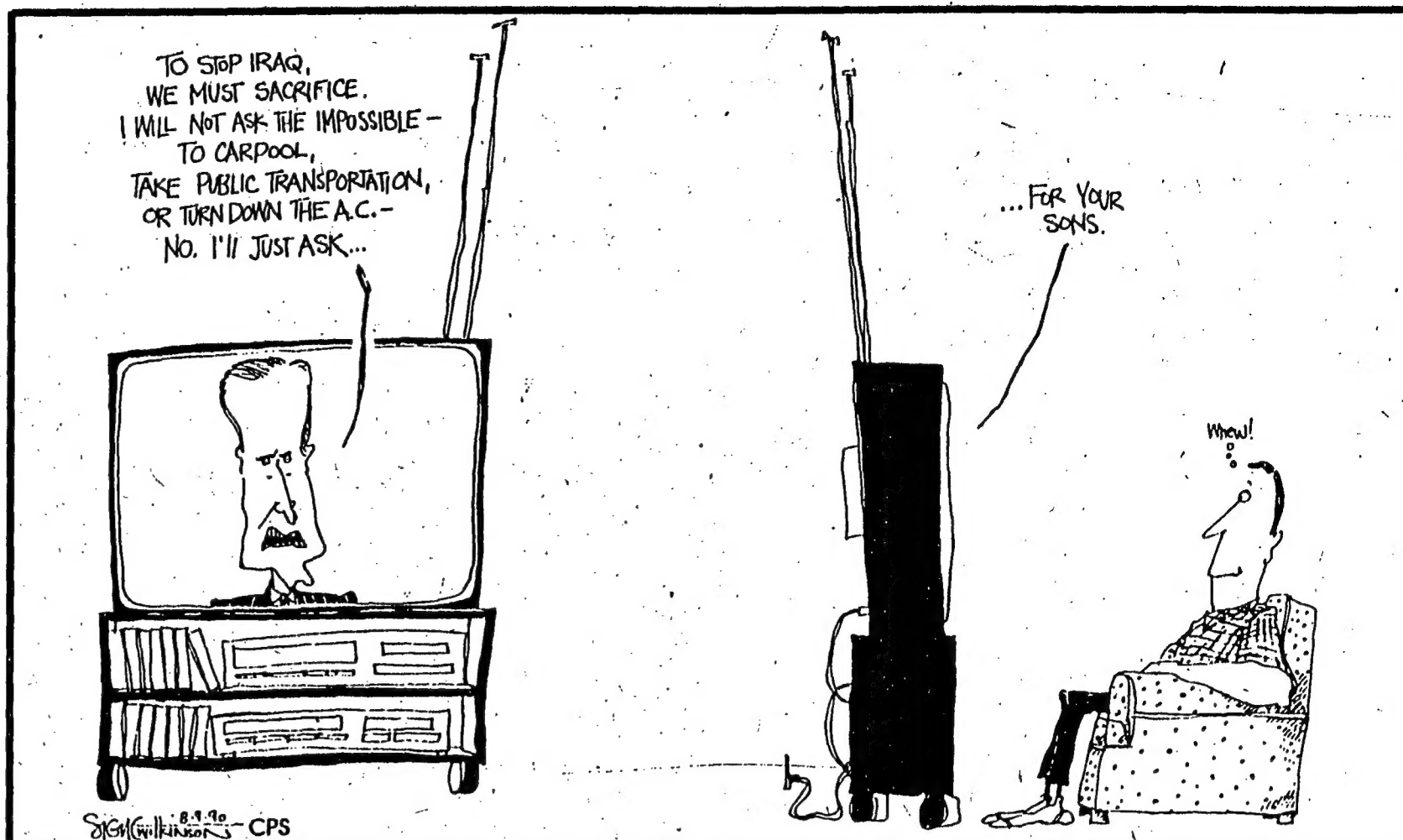
Neighborhoods wishing to discard a large amount of trash may call the city and request use of the truck. A city employee will park the truck in the area over the weekend, allowing residents plenty of time for trash disposal. On Monday morning, the city will return for the truck and haul the trash away.

The group is drafting papers to become incorporated so they can apply for grants and receive gifts. The money will be used for city beautification, educational seminars and housing repairs.

The new landlord's contracts, designed to protect renters and landlords, were drawn up as a result of concerns addressed by Quality of Life.

Though the group has been in existence for a short period of time, they are responsible for some large improvements in Maryville housing. Codes previously not enforced are now being enforced.

Maryville has become a safer, more pleasant environment to live in thanks to the efforts of this service-oriented group.



### Cricket population booms



STROLLER

I'm bugged. Literally.

Maybe it's just me, but I've been noticing an overabundance of bugs here at good ol' Northwest (especially of the cricket persuasion).

Now I know there have always been bugs, but I am beginning to think there was a larvae boom this summer or something, perhaps compared to the baby boom of the '40s and '50s.

For those of you who have been blessed not to notice, be forewarned.

Just the other night when yours truly was trying to escape from Wells Hall (my second home), I was bombarded by a herd, not a swarm, of bugs so furiously that it resulted in the doors not getting locked and a reprimand from Campus Safety because of it.

There were big bugs and small bugs and ones that jumped as well as some that flew. Sorry fellas, but I don't think I was wrong to give up after that episode. Just know that I gave it the old college try.

You have to give this situation a lot of thought. First, why do bugs all get together under any available light and make "music" until the break of day?

Could it be that they are really the ultimate party animals and just can't come to terms with the fact that the day is over so they all head over to the nearest hangout which has to be of the 2,000 watt breed?

Wonder where they learned that kind of behavior in a nice, calm college town like Maryville.

Maybe they can't get past the bouncers at the Pub. This could be a reasonable conclusion since you have to have a pretty good I. D. (I don't think even a cricket costume could get by them.)

Perhaps they are all homeless since every condemned house in Maryville is being torn down. I guess if that were the case, I might feel a little remorse for the creatures I'm mad at this week.

This still leads me to one conclusion. We need a plan.

After pondering this for the past week I've had certain revelations -- some good, some bad, some humane and some morbid.

I probably could have skipped morbid if I hadn't gone home for Labor Day weekend only to find another cricket in my shower. Sharing showers with other humans can be a nice experience, but I think you'll agree with me when I say bubbles and crickets do not mix.

Actually there are a number of options for dealing with the cricket explosion that could benefit Northwest in many ways.

Consider the pile of wood chips that run this mighty campus. What if we either trained all of these little creatures to run the powerplant or use them as fuel, replacing the pile of woodchips?

Before you say "gross," think about it. This would be an environmentally sound answer since it would save many trees, thus rescuing the planet. Brilliant, huh?

Better yet, just think if crickets ate grass. All of the green men could retire.

We could hire them as a new musical talent and raise some money. It took a long time to get used to the Bell Tower chimes, but lately I haven't even heard

them over the cricket chorus that graces my windows every night.

If they could study as well as they sing, we could even have a cricket tutorial board.

Although this might turn stomachs, we could strike up a new Northwest delicacy to replace the much-missed Jo-Jo's.

It's not fair that I, as a freshman, had to eat those nasty things and now they're extinct. Look out, here come Northwest chocolate-covered crickets!

Last but not least, I figure if we haven't gotten the problem taken care of by the Fourth of July, we can all go out and buy bug zappers to create the biggest, most spectacular light show Maryville has ever seen!

I still have to wonder, though, if some rules in this town would be swayed by the popularity of the crickets if any of these ideas were to work out.

I bet they still wouldn't be able to write a check at ASAP for under \$5 and 12 forms of I. D., no matter what. (That's another thing that 'bugs' me, but I'll save that for next week...)

### Vendors unfairly criticized



#### Points To Ponder

by Laura Pierson  
Managing Editor

Last weekend as students filled their gas tanks for the trip home, grumblings about gas prices nearly drowned out the hum of car engines.

The recipients of this complaining have been the gas station owners and employees, who have been mistakenly blamed by some for the higher gas prices.

The current Middle East Crisis has sent much of the world, expecting an oil crisis, scampering for the black gold. Although Hussein's invasion of Kuwait is ultimately the reason for the rise in prices, the price is actually decided by traders on the futures market.

According to an article in the Kansas City Star, the supply of oil is still plentiful, but traders do not make price decisions based on true supply and demand, but perceived supply and demand.

The article stated crude oil purchasers have posted a schedule of prices they were willing to pay producers over the last 60 years. In this time period, the posted price changed less than 20 times from 1950-1980.

Once oil fell into the hands of Wall Street speculators as a commodity on the Mercantile exchange in the mid '80s, the posted price became unstable. In 1990, before the Aug. 2 invasion, there were 62 posting changes.

The bottom line is marketers arrive at their selling price by how much they assume it will cost to replace the oil tomorrow, not by how much they paid for it today.

When the prices rise, marketers are reaping profits since they are selling the oil much higher than they purchased it. The gas station operators must purchase the oil at the higher price, yet at the same time, try to keep the cost down for consumers as much as possible.

Gas station owners are now making less profit than they did before the crisis began. In some instances, they are making no profit at all since there is less profit to pay operating expenses.

If they purchase a load of gasoline one day only to have the market price drop the next, they must lower their prices accordingly. This could mean they are selling gas at a lower cost than they purchased it.

If anyone deserves to complain about the increase in pump prices, it is the gas station owner.



#### LETTERS

Dear Missourian,

Something new has happened to the Northwest Missourian -- the staff has sent me a most informative, interesting newspaper. Thanks for enlivening our campus news.

Congratulations to each of you who created any part of Vol. 63, Issue 1. I really enjoyed it.

Have a great year.

Sincerely,  
Opal E. Eckert  
Northwest Missourian Adviser  
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In the Aug. 30 edition of the Northwest Missourian it was reported the parking lot southeast of the Valk Industrial Arts Building is for commuters and residents. The lot is for commuters only. The Missourian regrets the error.

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## Father, son enjoy every day at park



### Sports Geneous

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

There is nothing quite like an outing with your father.

We all remember those fishing trips where we seemed to catch logs and cross lines more times than we brought the big one in, but it was just the idea of spending the afternoon with your father that counted.

Those hot summer evenings playing catch also come to mind. There is nothing like getting a few tips on the game from dad.

One major leaguer is going to have the opportunity to experience that everyday.

Ken Griffey was signed by the Seattle Mariners last week joining Ken Jr. as the first father and son duo to play on the same major league team.

"This to me is No. 1," Griffey told reporters in Seattle. "It's a dream come true being a father...I'm just very proud of what we have accomplished."

What could possibly be better than spending an afternoon playing baseball with your father and getting paid to do it?

Signing Griffey was a publicity stunt by the Mariners, but you have to love it anyway. Give the 40-year-old Griffey some credit for hanging on to the game.

A game that was paying him thousands while today's players get millions.

The Griffey family are not the only ones to have several family members play the game.

There are numerous father and son combinations. Sandy Alomar played second base for the New York Yankees during the '70s and two of his kids played in the All-Star game this season.

Roberto Alomar plays second base for the San Diego Padres, where Sandy is now a coach. Sandy Alomar Jr. catches for the Cleveland Indians.

Ray Boone played for the Cleveland Indians during the '40s and his son Bob catches for the Kansas City Royals.

The Baltimore Orioles have a brother duo with Cal Jr. and Billy Ripken. Their father Cal is also a coach for the team.

The Griffey father and son combination might not turn out to be anything too spectacular, but you have to give them some credit for trying. Ken joined the team with a .206 average while Ken Jr. was chasing the American League leaders with a .306 mark.

Before the Griffey family accomplished the feat, the father and son combination that came the closest to playing in the majors together were Jim and Mike Hagan.

Jim retired in 1960 with the Chicago Cubs and his son Mike started his career in 1964 with the New York Yankees.

This all goes to show that the grand old game is not just the national pastime, but truly a family affair.

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

The Northwest-Missouri Western rivalry once again proved that there is no place like the road.

The visiting team won the contest for the eighth time in 10 games. The last five games have been won by the visiting team.

A 39-yard touchdown run by Joseph Johnson put the Bearcats on top 7-0 with 8:42 left in the first quarter. The rest of the first half belonged to the Missouri Western Griffons though.

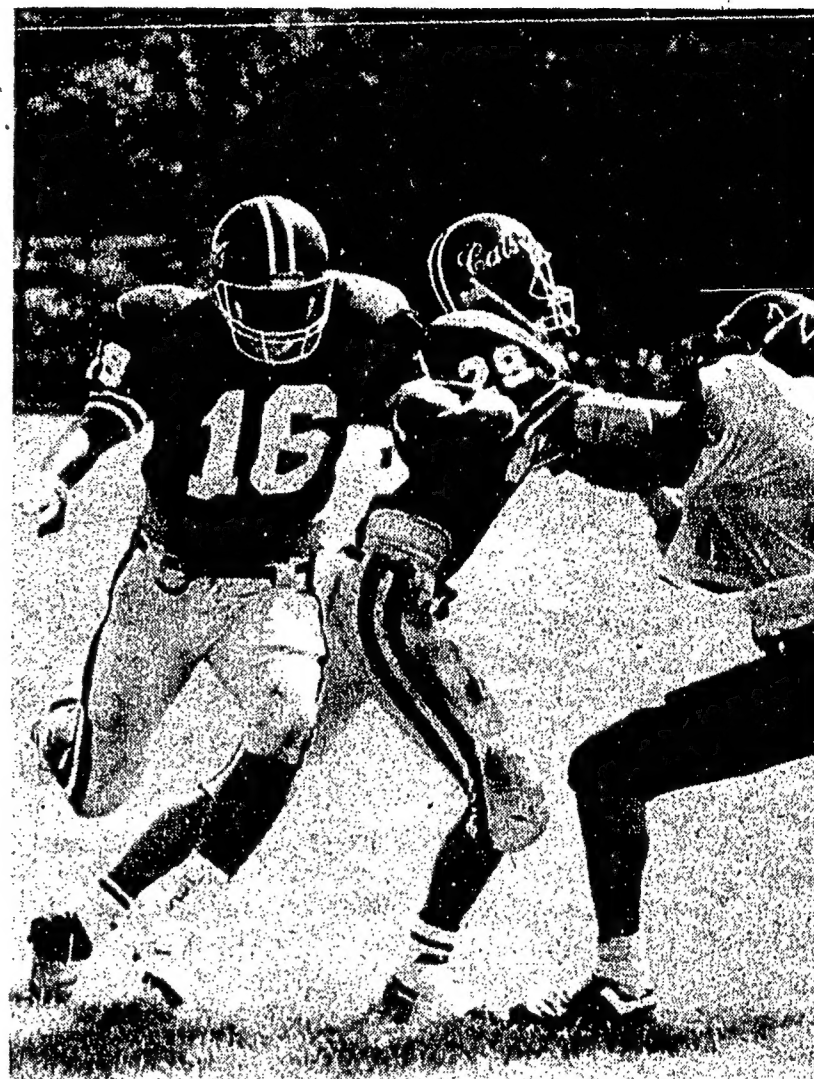
The Griffons' quarterback, Joe Reid, ran the football in from the three-yard line and Joe Daniel nailed the extra point to tie the game. Darryl Duncan gave the Griffons the lead for good, seven minutes later, when he ran the ball in from the 10-yard line.

The Griffons started another scoring drive near the end of the half that was highlighted by a 17-yard touchdown pass from Reid to James Whitley. The extra point attempt failed, but the Griffons went into the locker room with a 20-7 lead.

Duncan started the scoring for the second half with a 21-yard touchdown run. Daniel made the extra point to give the Griffons a 20-point lead, 27-7.

The Bearcats came out from hibernation during the end of the third quarter, but it was too little too late. Jeremy Wilson ran the ball in from the four yard line with 6:07 remaining in the quarter, but the extra-point attempt failed.

The Bearcats scored twice in the fourth quarter, but failed to



**MOVING ON**—Bearcat Ralph Hinds blocks a Missouri Western player for quarterback Jeremy Wilson Saturday in Rickenbrode. The Griffons upset the Bearcats 27-25. The rivalry has been won by the visiting team during eight of the 10 games. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

make the two-point conversion, both times leaving them two points behind the Griffons.

Northwest had chances to take the lead, but two fourth quarter fumbles kept the Griffons out of reach.

"We felt like we gave them the

ballgame," coach Bud Elliott said. "I wasn't pleased with our performance."

"There are two things you have to do to win a football game, go out and hit people and execute. I didn't think we did a really good job of either Saturday."

## No changes for Bearcats

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

The football team is looking to put the season opener behind them this weekend against Southwest Baptist.

There are no major changes anticipated by coach Bud Elliott for Saturday's contest in Bolivar, Mo.

"We just hope to do things better," Elliott said. "They have a big offensive line and an experienced defense. They have a transfer quarterback (Trevor Spradley) from Sam Houston State who throws the ball really well."

"They are a very aggressive football team. They are a better team than the one that we got beat by Saturday."

Southwest Baptist is not going to be fooled by Northwest's 27-25 loss to Missouri Western.

"I think they (Northwest) have an excellent football team," Southwest Baptist coach Jim Hall said. "They came back strong against Missouri Western after getting down early."

"Basically we are our own game and execute," he said. "We didn't feel like we executed that well against Southeast Saturday."

Northwest has two players who will not be able to play in Saturday's game. Defensive end Don Finch and defensive tackle Brian Wolfe are both out with leg injuries.

Northwest has won both of the two games the teams have played against each other.



**PACED FOR SUCCESS**—Members of the Bearkitten cross country team prepare for the Simpson Invitational. The Bearkittens have six of their top seven runners back from last season. (Photo by JoAnn Bortner)

## Three seniors return for 4th season of cross country

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

Three seniors are running their fourth year on the Bearkittens cross country team, which is a rare occurrence for women's cross country.

"This is the first time we have had any kids run cross country for all four years," coach Charlene Cline said. "The extra year of cross country makes a lot of difference."

The three seniors returning for their fourth season are Denise Ibsen, Geri McFarland and Diana Jensen. Cline also noted the team only lost one of their top seven

runners from last year.

"The year's experience helps runners like Kim O'Riley and Sherry Messner," she said. "Angela Zahner improved throughout the year and has also returned in great shape."

A lot of things can change with one season of experience in cross country, O'Riley said.

"I feel more confident in my ability and I know what is expected of me," she said. "I am looking forward to it a lot more."

According to Cline, running as a unit will be the key for the Kittens success this season.

"The thing that will help us the most is keeping our third, fourth

and fifth runners close to our first two," she said. "We have to keep our top five runners close in time."

Cline said there will be a lot of variety in terms of the runner's rank this season. The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh spots on the team are going to change from one meet to the next.

The team's attitude is not expected to change, which will make for a very rewarding experience.

"We are going to have a fun year," she said. "No doubts. They all get along great and have been working very hard."

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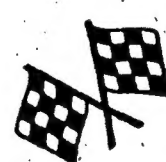


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# CAMPUS LIFE

## SAFE SEX '90s

in the



(Photo Illustration by Brandon Russell)

by Michelle M. Campbell  
Contributing Writer

*"Treat the other person  
the way you would want  
to be treated. If a person  
really cares about  
another, they would not  
want to subject them to  
any diseases or preg-  
nancies."*

**-Vernice Johnson**  
Rural Community  
Coordinator

It is paradoxical that as a society we promote sexual activity in movies, television, music and advertising, yet condemn those inflicted with the diseases spread by sexual contact or activity.

Currently, sexually transmitted diseases are one of the major health issues affecting college students.

It might be asked, "What does all this gloom and doom information on sexually transmitted diseases have to do with being a better lover?"

Think for a minute--what does being a "better" lover mean? It means being smart and informed about the risks and responsibilities associated with sexuality, regardless of the fact of whether or not one is sexually active.

"Don't be pressured into doing something you don't want to," Gwen Ponds, a counselor at Family Planning in St. Joseph, said.

"The most effective way to avoid a sexually transmitted disease or pregnancy is through abstinence," she said.

However, being abstinent is not a choice for everyone.

There are over 20 different types of diseases that can be passed through sexual intercourse or contact. The most common ones are chlamydia, syphilis, gonorrhea, genital warts, genital herpes and AIDS.

The diseases facing those who choose to engage in sexual activity are quite frightening. How-

ever, the new catch phrase for many is the term "safe sex." Perhaps a more accurate term would be "safer sex" since no sexual precaution is 100 percent effective.

According to "The Sexually Active and VD," a pamphlet published by the American Social Health Association, one form of contraception used in practicing safer sex is the American-made latex condom. These are preferred over the lambskin condoms because the lambskin condoms have bigger pores, which allow the transmission of viruses.

Also, there are certain behaviors associated with practicing safer sex. One coming back into style is mutual monogamy, a behavior in which two people who have no sexually transmitted diseases engage in sexual intercourse only with each other.

There are also risk behaviors, often labeled safe, less risky, risky and dangerous.

In a pamphlet published by the American College Health Association, "Making Sex Safer," some safe alternatives include dry kissing, masturbation on healthy skin, touching, hugging and massaging.

Less risky is wet kissing (ton-

gue kissing), and vaginal or anal intercourse with a condom.

Behaviors considered risky are oral sex with a man or woman, and masturbation on open or broken skin.

Dangerous behaviors are vaginal intercourse without a condom, watersports, fisting, rimming and, the most dangerous of all, anal intercourse without a condom.

No matter what "safer sex" option one chooses, remember that being a better lover really starts in the brain.

It has to be realized that "Yes, it can happen to me," and "No, I can't tell just by looking at someone whether or not they have a disease."

If a sexually transmitted disease is suspected, it is always better to get it checked out instead of avoiding or denying it--it may save some future complications as well as relieve anxiety.

"If a student suspects they have a sexually transmitted disease, abstain from intercourse," Ponds said. "If the student can't abstain, use a condom."

Remember, when making the choice to be sexually active, be assertive with your partner about "safer sex."

"Treat the other person the way you would want to be treated," Vernice Johnson, Family Planning's rural community coordinator, said. "If a person really cares about another, they would not want to subject them to any diseases or pregnancies."

## Playing It Safe

**What is playing safe all about?**

Playing safe doesn't mean eliminating sex from your life. While some people may choose abstinence, playing safe does not have to mean no sex. It does mean being smart and staying healthy. It means self-respect and respect for your partner--talking about sex, knowing how to protect yourself and taking precautions every time. Playing safe means enjoying sex without giving or getting sexually transmitted diseases.

**What are sexually transmitted diseases?**

Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) are infections you catch through sexual contact. There are many: chlamydia, gonorrhea, genital herpes and AIDS are just a few. You never become immune to STDs. You can get re-infected and you can have more than one STD at the same time.

Some STDs show few or no symptoms so a person can be infected and spread the disease without knowing it. There is effective medical treatment for most STDs, like gonorrhea and genital warts; there is only limited therapy for others, like herpes. A few, like AIDS, are incurable and may be fatal. STDs are a serious matter, and no one can afford to take them lightly. However, you can determine whether you are at risk or not by the precautions you take.

\*\*Information taken from brochure produced by American College Health Association



# More than words

Winter teaches Japanese students there is more than one way to communicate

by Kathy Barnes  
Assistant Features Editor

"Words are very powerful. I think if people have the power to control words they can use them to control their own life and the world around them," said Esther Winter, instructor in the English Department.

Winter, in her second year of teaching at Northwest, has been given the chance to do what she does best—teach English as a second language.

The introduction of a preparatory English program this summer has found her teaching 28 Japanese students in an intense academic, yet personal classroom setting.

Winter said one of the most challenging aspects of teaching the Japanese students was the intensive nature of the program.

"The students are learning English all day long, so you really have to find ways to vary activities so your students do not fall asleep on you," Winter said. "We spend a lot of time together, and in that aspect it is like elementary school. You develop a really personal relationship because you are with each other so many hours a day," she added.

In class, students learn grammar, listening and speaking skills, reading, outlining skills and composition, Winter said. Students are also allowed to work in a listening lab where they learn to take notes from lectures.

"At a reading time where they are just starting to read simplified English, they read classics in simplified form and classics illustrated with comics. They also read books like the biography of Michael Jackson and Cher...just a wide range of reading," Winter said.

Northwest's admission requirements for international students include the ability to achieve a score of 500 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL),

*"We talked about dating, how to make conversation, even how to tell if someone ...wants to talk to you or not."*

—Esther Winter  
English Instructor

and preparing the students for that level of English proficiency is a major focus of the Preparatory Program.

In addition to raising their TOEFL score, Winter said they also work to give the students the standard skills needed in an American college.

Winter said she can tell when her students do not understand what she is talking about. She told of one student who cocked his head to the side when confused and stared with an intense look. When he grasped the concept, he raised his head, nodding very excited.

"I wouldn't be afraid to tell them anything," Winter said. "Body language is very important. I often have to tell students to look at me because I use my hands and my face."

A class about American culture was offered to the Japanese students over the summer.

"We talked about dating, how to make conversation, even how to tell if someone on the bus wants to talk to you or not," Winter said.

Winter earned her bachelor's degree from Hastings College in Nebraska and a master of arts degree from the University of Wyoming. Since her graduation from Hastings College in 1973, she has taught English at every level from seventh grade to doctoral candidates, and to both native and non-native speakers of English.



NEW MEANING FOR NEW WORDS—Esther Winter helps a Japanese student to master the English language by monitoring her as she attempts to read. Winter was selected to instruct a preparatory English program during the summer. (Photo by JoAnn Bortner)

## Japanese students prepare for admission

by JoAnn Bortner  
Staff Writer

This summer Northwest joined five other schools nationwide in a unique program designed to prepare Japanese students for admission and attendance at American universities.

The English Preparatory Program, which began June 3 under the direction of Joseph Ruff, is an intensive, year-long course of study of the English language and American culture.

The program is completely subsidized by 28 participating students who may enroll in university classes upon meeting Northwest's admission requirements.

Ruff said the students are afforded an opportunity to study in the United States through the combined efforts of the Japan-America Academic Center (JAAC) and the six host schools. The JAAC recruits prospective students from all areas of Japan.

Acceptance into the program is contingent upon successful completion of a screening process which consists, in part, of a medical exam and a test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). High school records are also considered and the students must be graduates.

According to Ruff, Northwest asked for and received those students scoring highest on the

TOEFL.

In addition to class work, every effort is made to provide the participants with situations that will expose them to American culture and present opportunities for greater use of the English language, Ruff explained.

Consequently, this summer the participants lived with host families in Maryville and this fall are sharing dorm rooms with American student volunteers.

When asked about the differences between our two countries, Atsushi Hosoi said, "We are very similar. We have McDonald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hut. They taste the same, but cost more in Japan."

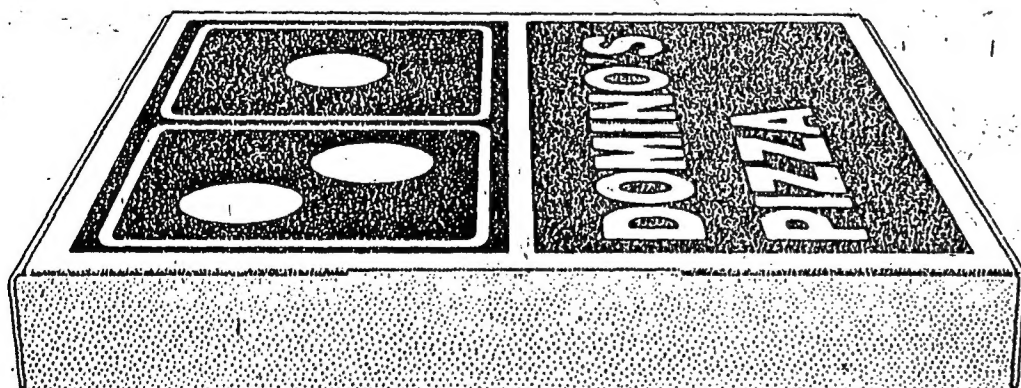
Yukari Saito misses traditional Japanese food and doesn't like American food because of high calories. She said, "I have cooked fried rice with my host mother."

Kasumi Sakai said she learned to like pizza because her host family loved Pizza Hut.

Miyoshi Shimamoto plans to return home for a visit during the 3-week Christmas break, but most students will remain at Northwest. According to Ruff, some of the host families have invited their student back for the holidays.

Two of four students interviewed plan to remain at Northwest for at least part of their college education.

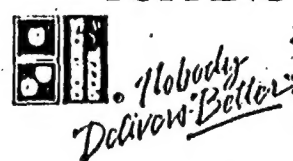
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# Director ready to make 'Contact'

by Michelle Larison  
University Editor

A new face in the B. D. Owens Library will probably become a familiar one to many as Georgene Timko begins her Northwest career as library director.

Formerly a Library Technical Services Director at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK, and a graduate of Cleveland State University, Timko came to Northwest to replace retired library director Betty Croft in the middle of July.

According to Timko, many things interested her about taking the director position at Northwest.

"One thing that intrigued me about the campus was the electronic campus and the fact that the library had just gotten its second automated system," she said.

Another big factor in her decision was the atmosphere of the entire University.

"I was also intrigued by the concept of quality of life. That's something very near and dear to my heart," Timko said. "I'm very conscious of the fact that you have to set the environment for people to be able to do their jobs,

to develop and to be creative.

"When I looked at Northwest, I thought, 'great, half of my work is done right there.' I was real excited about the Culture of Quality."

Timko brings an emphasis on team building to the library and it's employees and sees it as an important part of the system.

"I don't think team building is just a temporary tool, not something that is a fad now. I saw the incredible energy and creativity that came out of the team-building environment and said 'whoa, let's do this on a grander scale,'" she said.

There are currently three teams in the library, with another being put together. Timko said eventually there will be a total of five teams with every staff member belonging to two teams. The reasoning for this, according to Timko, is when two sets are interacting, the communication flows without having to send memos and minutes.

'Contact' was chosen for the library theme this semester due to the fact that the staff saw a need to increase contact with the faculty, students and each other.

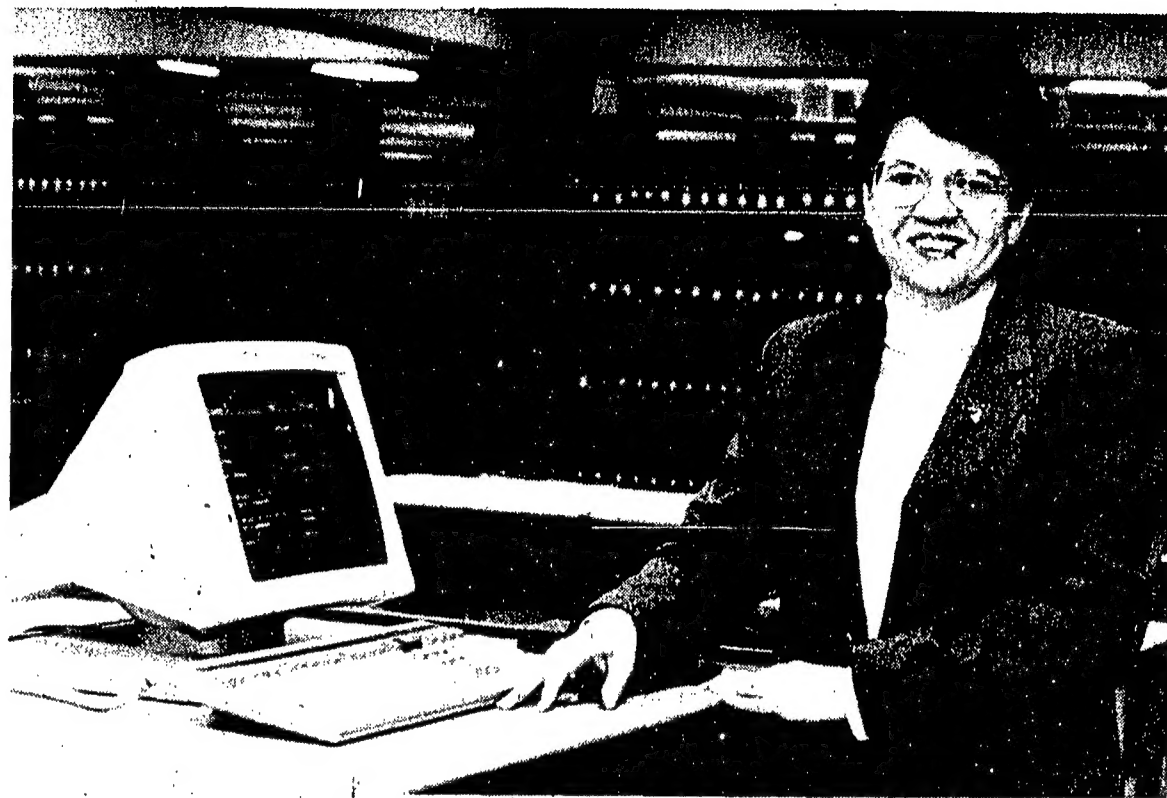
"Contact is preliminary team building. When you have a group of people that are doing the same job sometimes they do it so well they forget others are involved in it. So it creates kind of a solo effect rather than the orchestra effect," Timko said.

"The contact is to promote the orchestra effect in the library and also in contacting faculty and students."

There have been some changes put into effect since the library opened this semester. A new change machine was added to the second floor for greater convenience to those copying on the second floor. Quiet hours have also been strictly enforced on the third floor.

Another added convenience for students is a complete list posted on the front doors declaring the library hours for the whole year, which Timko said was another result of the new effort to plan ahead for the students.

Another proven step in that direction is the new video tape for freshman seminar classes. Although it was started prior to Timko's arrival, the tape of the



HIT THE BOOKS—New library director, Georgene Timko, cited the electronic campus and the University atmosphere as major factors in her decision to accept the position. (Photo by Brandon Russell)

library's uses has been implemented this year.

"The tape is a basic introduction to the library rather than a tour to help give a concentration level you probably wouldn't get with a simple tour," Timko said. "If we do freshman orientation right and start students out right,

the students are prepared to find the information themselves and the library can better serve them."

Although Timko's new duties keep her busy, she still finds time for herself. Active in the theatre in Tahlequah and Marietta, Timko has continued her apprecia-

tion by joining the Maryville Community Theatre group and the Maryville Chamber of Commerce.

"I love towns like Maryville," Timko said. "I get really upset with people who say there's nothing to do here. It has a lot to offer."

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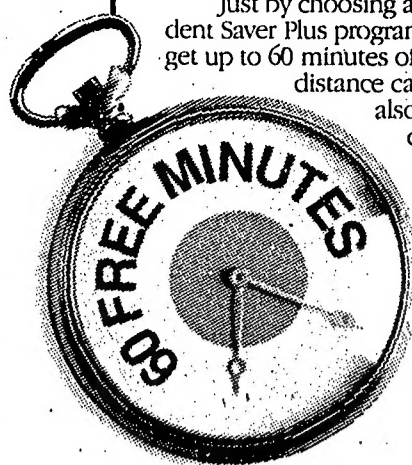
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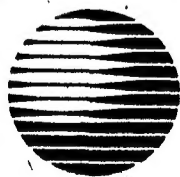
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- 8:15 a.m. CAT, GED, CLEP & MAT tests  
Wells Hall 120
- 3:30 p.m. Psi Chi Meeting CH 164
- 4:00 Punt, Pass & Kick Competition  
Rickenbrode Stadium
- 4:30 IFC Meeting Northwest Room
- 5:00 Flag Football Officials  
Meeting - MGym 302
- 7:00 Intro to WPS-Plus - CH 101
- 8:30 "Tie Northwest Yellow" - Union

### September 7, 1990

- 8:15 a.m. CLEP, GED, CAT and MAT tests - Wells Hall 120
- 10 a.m. Career Services Wkshop  
Library Computer Lab
- Bearkitten volleyball UMSL Invitational
- \*Last Day to audit semester class

### September 8, 1990

- 1:30 p.m. Bearcat Football - SW Baptist
- Bearkitten volleyball UMSL
- Bearcat/Bearkitten cross country - Simpson Invitational
- 7 p.m. Catholic Mass

### September 9, 1990

- 8 p.m. Comics Bud Andersen and QV Bryant - Spanish Den

### September 10, 1990

- 3 p.m. Womens volleyball entry deadline - Campus Rec Office
- 4:00 Homecoming Committee Meeting - CH 228
- 4:30 CAPS Meeting - Northwest Rm.
- 5:00 Pi Beta Alpha Meeting - Governor's Room
- 5:30 CARE Meeting - Care Conf.Rm.
- 6:00 TKE Meeting - Northwest Rm.
- 6:15 Circle K Meeting - West Colonial Room
- 6:30 Sigma Phi Epsilon Mtg. - Univ. Club North
- 7:00 Delta Chi Meeting - Governor's Room
- ABC Meeting - Stockman Room
- Hugh Yonty Exhibit - DeLuce Gallery
- 7:30 Comedian Anthony Clark Charles Johnson
- \*Flag Football Begins
- \*Fraternity Rush Bid Day

### September 11, 1990

- 9:35 a.m. ACT Profile
- 12:35 p.m. Workshop
- 2:00 Union Ballroom
- 5:00 SMSTA Meeting - Brown Hall
- 5:30 Sigma Society Meeting Brown Hall 253A
- 7:00 Student Senate Meeting Northwest Room
- Intro to 20/20 Spreadsheet

### September 12, 1990

- 10:00 a.m. Board of Regents Meeting Conference Center



# Humanity, a dangerous occupation



**Dave Barry**  
Syndicated Columnist

Here at the Bureau of Medical Alarm, we continue to receive shocking new evidence that being human is an extremely dangerous occupation that probably should be prohibited by law.

For example, consider the alarming article sent in by alert reader Jessica Bernstein from the Aug. 10, 1984, issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, titled "Toothpick-Related Injuries in the United States, 1979 Through 1982." This article notes with concern that although toothpicks "are long, slender, hard, sharp and indigestible, they are rarely considered objects of potential injury and death." Yes! Death! The article reports that during the period studied, there have been thousands of toothpick-related injuries and three actual "fatalities."

What gets our goat, here at the Bureau of Medical Alarm, is that these needless tragedies could be avoided if the government would simply require all toothpicks to carry this printed message:

**WARNING: THE SURGEON GENERAL HAS DETERMINED THAT YOU SHOULD NOT SWALLOW THIS TOOTHPICK OR STAB YOURSELF IN THE EYEBALL WITH IT WHILE TRYING TO READ THIS WARNING.**

Why hasn't this been done?

When will the politicians stop knuckling under to the powerful toothpick lobby, with its easy money, fast boats and loose women? How come powerful lobbies never send loose women down here to the Bureau of Medical Alarm? These are some of the questions that were very much on our minds until we were distracted by an even more alarming article, sent in by alert reader Betsy Powers, from the July 5, 1980, issue of the British Medical Journal. Unfortunately, we cannot be too specific about this article, because this is a family newspaper (it has a wife newspaper and two little baby newspapers at home). All we can say is that the article involves an upsetting development that can occur when a well-known male bodily part gets too close to a working vacuum cleaner. This seems to be a fairly common occurrence, at least in Britain. The article contains the following quotations, which we swear we are not making up, although for reasons of tastefulness, the bodily part will be referred to as "Morton" (not its real name):

"Case 1-- A 60-year-old man said that he was changing the plug of his Hoover Dustette vacuum cleaner in the nude while his wife was out shopping. It turned itself on" and caught his Morton."

"Case 2-- A 65-year-old railway signalman was in his signal box when he bent down to pick up his tools and caught his Morton in a Hoover Dustette, 'which happened to be switched on.'"

These quotations definitely

touched a nerve here at the Bureau of Medical Alarm. Clearly males need to be more careful, especially if they get naked anywhere near a Hoover Dustette, which is apparently auditioning for a role as a major appliance in Fatal Attraction II.

What you are no doubt saying to yourself now is, "Hmmm, I wonder if there have been any similar incidents involving lobsters." We regret to report that the answer is yes, as we learned from an article alertly sent in by Janice Hill (notice that it is women who are sending these articles).

This article concerns a man who attempted to steal a lobster from a Boston fish market by stuffing it (the lobster) down the front of his pants. The lobster had been wearing those rubber-band handcuffs, but apparently they slipped off, and the lobster, with revenge on its tiny mind, angrily grasped hold of the first thing it found, and we will not go into what happened next except to say that, if you are a guy, it makes a toothpick to the eyeball sound like a day at the Magic Kingdom.

We actually have MORE alarming medical items here, including a really good one about a moth that flew into, a noted Denver attorney's ear canal and refused to come out voluntarily. But we are running out of space, so we'll just close with this Health Reminder: Don't smoke or drink. Or eat. Or go outside. Or breathe. And men: If you MUST change a major-appliance plug in the nude, PLEASE wear a condom.

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